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March 24, 2023

The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman House Appropriations Committee H-307 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Appropriations Committee 1036 Longworth Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the **City of Petaluma Emergency Operations Center** project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is **City of Petaluma**, located at 11 English Street, Petaluma, CA 94952.

The funding would be used for Phase 1 (pre-construction) of a new municipal Emergency Operations Center (EOC) in midtown Petaluma.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 614 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5196c), as amended by section 202 of the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007 (9/11 Act).

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the project will enabling faster, more effective response to a disaster impacting south Sonoma County and surrounding areas. This in turn could save lives and property and provide for a faster recovery. With public safety a core mission of government, it is a prudent use of taxpayer funds to conduct all necessary preconstruction activities prior to building a new EOC for Petaluma and other communities in southern Sonoma County.

I certify that neither I, nor my immediate family, has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Jared Huffman

Member of Congress